

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows. This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

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9. (Currently Amended) A dishwasher comprising:

a washing basket; and

a an air guidance system defining a closed air flow path extending from a first portion of the washing basket to a second portion of the washing basket, the air guidance system being connected to the washing basket in an air-guiding manner such that air is guided fluid communication therewith for receiving air in a first condition from the washing basket to the guidance system and air is guided for delivering air in a second condition, with the second condition being different from the first condition, from the guidance system to the washin washing basket; and the guidance system including at least one Peltier element, the Peltier element operatively associated with the air guidance system and disposed within the closed air flow path in a manner wherein a cooling side of the Peltier element is disposed within the air flow path and is configured for removing heat energy from and thereby drying air in the first condition passing thereacross, and a second warming side of the Peltier element is disposed downstream of the first cooling side of the Peltier element in the closed air path for adding heat energy to the air dried by the cooling side of the Peltier element passing thereacross resulting in air in the second condition for delivery to the washing basket having means for extracting heat from air passed therethrough, whereupon the air is cooled and, thus, the moisture absorption capacity of the air is reduced, means for heating air,

~~and means for transporting air that is cooled by the means for extracting heat to the means for heating air, whereby the means for heating air heats the cooled air that is transported thereto also for heating air guided through the washing basket and the guidance system is operable to guide air from the washing basket to the means for extracting heat and is operable to guide air that has been heated by the means for heating air to the washing basket.~~

10. (Currently Amended) The dishwasher according to claim 9, wherein the dishwasher is configured for using the guidance system operable during at least one drying partial programme program section of a washing program that is performed by the dishwasher to guide air from the washing basket into the guidance system and back into the washing basket.
11. (Currently Amended) The dishwasher according to claim 9, wherein the washing container basket includes an outlet in operative communication with a pipe ~~communicated with the means for extracting heat~~ within the air guidance system in communication with the cooling side of the Peltier element, the guidance system includes a pipe communicating the means ~~for extracting heat~~ cooling side of the Peltier element with the means ~~for heating air~~ heating side of the Peltier element, and the washing container basket includes an inlet in operative communication with a pipe ~~communicated with the means for extracting heat~~ heating side of the Peltier element and further comprising a fan arranged in the pipe communicating the washing basket with the ~~means for extracting heat~~ cooling side of the Peltier element, the fan being operable to ~~supply at least some of the air in~~ move air from the washing basket to the guidance system ~~at least temporarily.~~
12. (Currently Amended) The dishwasher according to claim 9, wherein air ~~from the washing basket is cooled by means for extracting heat~~ the cooling side of the Peltier element is configured for cooling air within the guidance system from the washing basket.

13. (Currently Amended) The dishwasher according to claim 9, wherein air ~~guided by the guidance system from the washing basket into the guidance system is heated by the means for heating~~ the heating side of the Peltier element is configured for heating air within the guidance system from the washing basket.
14. (Currently Amended) The dishwasher according to claim 9 and further comprising a heater arranged in the pipe of operatively associated with the inlet of the washing basket ~~communicated with the means for extracting heat~~ in operative communication with the heating side of the Peltier element.
15. (Currently Amended) The dishwasher according to claim 9 and further comprising a condenser arranged in the pipe of operatively associated with the outlet of the washing basket and the ~~means for extracting heat~~ cooling side of the Peltier element.
16. (Currently Amended) The dishwasher according to claim 9 and further comprising a condenser arranged in the pipe ~~communicating the means for extracting heat~~ extending between the cooling side of the Peltier element ~~with~~ and the ~~means for heating air~~ heating side of the Peltier element.